

IN THE DRAWINGS:

Please approve the drawing changes as shown in red on the attached marked-up copies of Figures 3, 9, and 20. A separate letter to the draftsman indicating the same proposed drawing changes is also enclosed.

REMARKS

Applicants have amended the drawings, as shown on the attached sheets marked up in red, to remove informalities found by Applicants. Applicants also provide a separate letter to the Draftsman also with a sheet showing the changes marked up in red.

Applicants also have amended the Specification to the present allowed Application. The proposed amendment only updates the most recent status of the parent case to this Application, and therefore is merely formal in nature, and places this Application in better form for issuance.

The proposed amendments are merely formal in nature, do not introduce new matter, and do not affect the scope of the claims. Therefore, the proposed amendments are permissible under 37 C.F.R. §1.312. Accordingly, approval and entry of this amendment is respectfully requested.

Should the Examiner be of the opinion that further clarification is necessary, or that outstanding issues exist, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned attorney.

Respectfully submitted,

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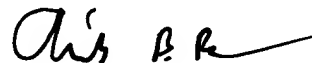
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FIG.3

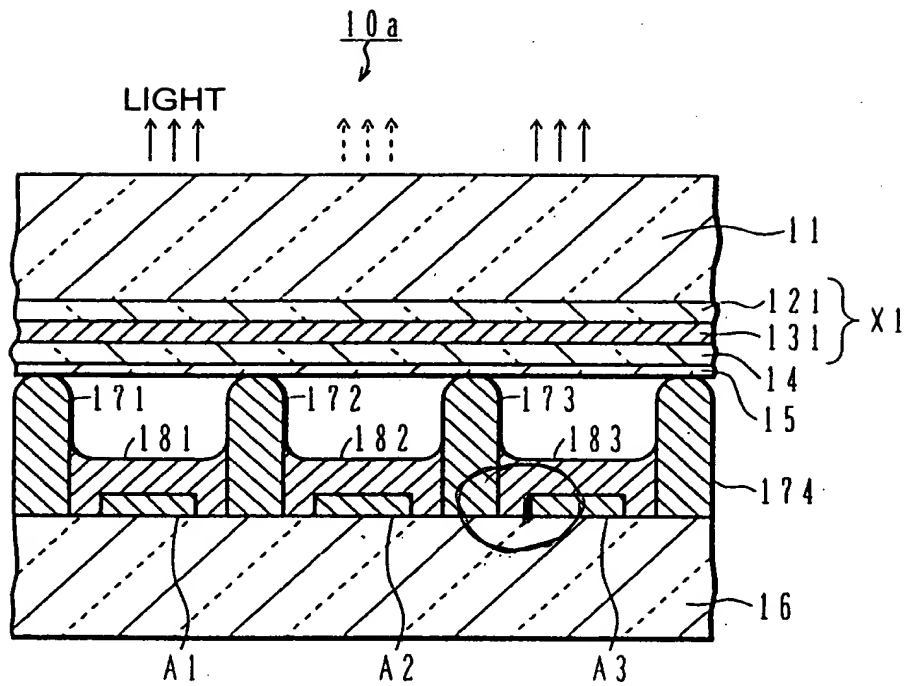




FIG. 9

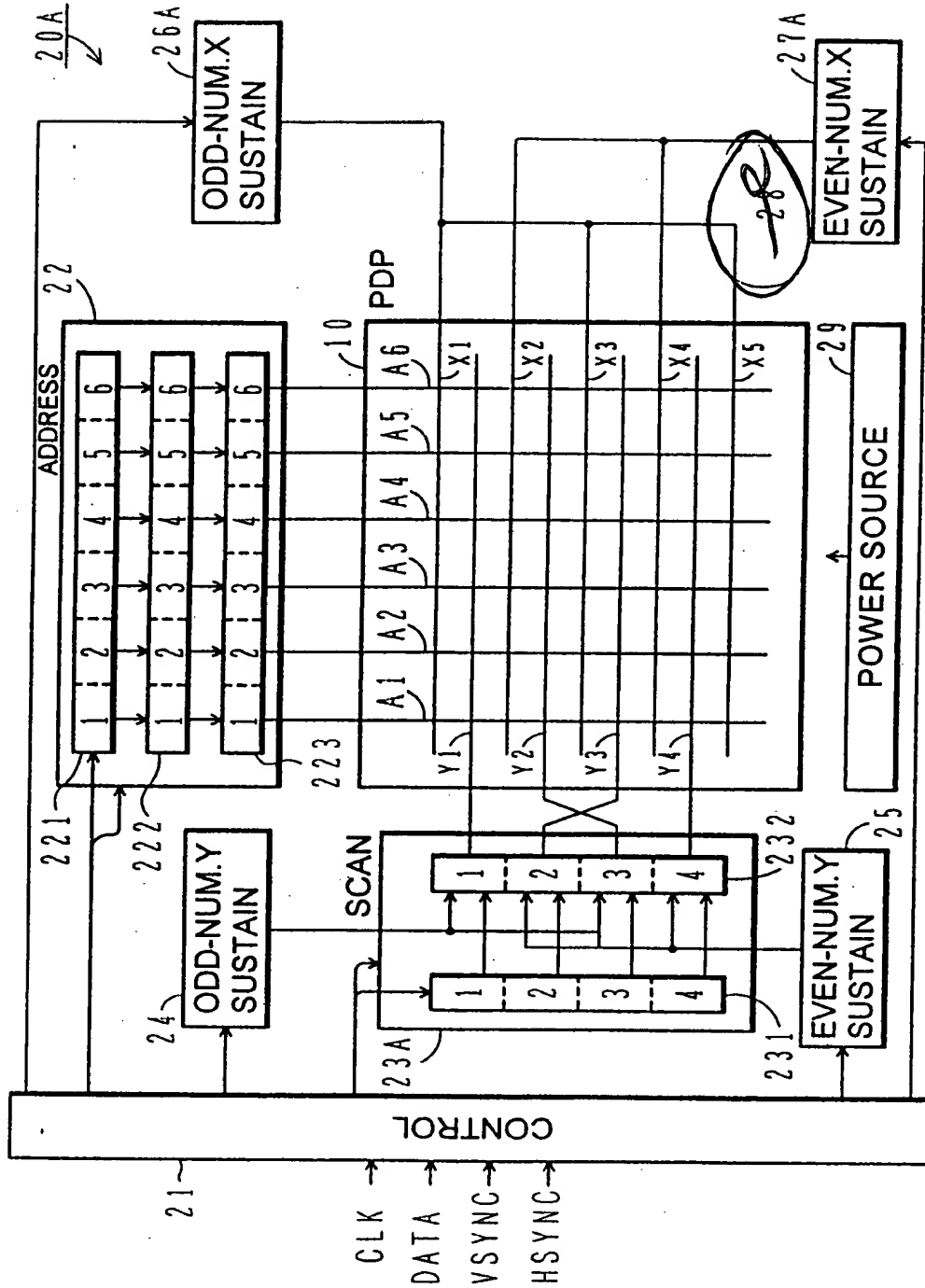




FIG.20

